

Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

See Résumé of Congressional Activity.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S5045–S5086

Measures Introduced: Eight bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 961–968, and S. Res. 126–127. **Page S5065**

Measures Reported:

Report to accompany S. 414, to amend the Consumer Credit Protection Act, to ban abusive credit practices, enhance consumer disclosures, protect underage consumers. (S. Rept. No. 111–16) **Page S5065**

Measures Passed:

Sisters of the Sacred Hearts in Hawai'i 150th Anniversary: Senate agreed to S. Res. 126, commemorating the 150th anniversary of the arrival of the Sisters of the Sacred Hearts in Hawai'i.

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Measures Considered:

Helping Families Save Their Homes Act: Senate resumed consideration of S. 896, to prevent mortgage foreclosures and enhance mortgage credit availability, taking action on the following amendments proposed thereto: **Pages S5051–59**

Rejected:

By 39 yeas to 53 nays (Vote No. 176), Vitter Amendment No. 1016 (to Amendment No. 1018), to authorize and remove impediments to the repayment of funds received under the Troubled Asset Relief Program. **Pages S5052, S5057–59**

By 36 yeas to 56 nays (Vote No. 177), Vitter Amendment No. 1017 (to Amendment No. 1018), to provide that the primary and foundational responsibility of the Federal Housing Administration shall be to safeguard and preserve the solvency of the Administration. **Pages S5052, S5057–59**

Pending:

Dodd/Shelby Amendment No. 1018, in the nature of a substitute. **Page S5051**

Corker Amendment No. 1019 (to Amendment No. 1018), to address safe harbor for certain servicers. **Page S5051**

Dodd (for Grassley) Amendment No. 1020 (to Amendment No. 1018), to enhance the oversight authority of the Comptroller General of the United States with respect to expenditures under the Troubled Asset Relief Program. **Page S5056**

Dodd (for Grassley) Amendment No. 1021 (to Amendment No. 1018), to amend Chapter 7 of title 31, United States Code, to provide the Comptroller General additional audit authorities relating to the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. **Pages S5056–57**

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 10 a.m., on Tuesday, May 5, 2009, and that the time until 10 a.m. be for debate relative to Corker Amendment No. 1019 (to Amendment No. 1018) (listed above), with the time equally divided and controlled between Senators Dodd and Corker, or their designees; provided further, that at 10:50 a.m., Senate vote on or in relation to the amendment, with no amendment in order to the amendment, prior to a vote. **Pages S5060, S5086**

Appointments:

Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino: The Chair announced, on behalf of the Republican Leader, pursuant to P.L. 110–229, the appointment of the following to be a non-voting member of the Commission to Study the Potential Creation of a National Museum of the American Latino: Sandy Colon Peltyn of Nevada. **Page S5086**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Mercedes Marquez, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Housing and Urban Development.

Kathy J. Greenlee, of Kansas, to be Assistant Secretary for Aging, Department of Health and Human Services.